

To ensure projects covered by a nationwide permit will result in minimal adverse impacts to the aquatic environment, we propose the following Regional Conditions for projects proposed within the State of Illinois:

1. Bank stabilization projects involving armoring of the stream bank with riprap or the construction of retaining walls within High Value Subwatersheds exceeding 250 linear feet will require a PCN to the Corps of Engineers in accordance with General Condition No. 27.
2. A proposed activity to be authorized under Nationwide permits 12 or 14 within the Cache River Wetlands Areas (Alexander and Pulaski Counties), Kaskaskia River (Clinton, St. Claire, and Washington Counties), or Wabash River (Gallatin and White Counties) will require a PCN to the Corps of Engineers in accordance with General Condition No. 27.
3. Stormwater management facilities shall not be located within an intermittent stream, except for NWPs 21 or 'E'
4. For discharges of dredged or fill material resulting in the permanent loss of more than 1/10 acre of waters of the United States (including jurisdictional wetlands), a compensatory mitigation plan to offset those losses will be required. In addition, a PCN to the Corps of Engineers will be required in accordance with General Condition No. 27.
5. For newly constructed channels through areas that are not naturally vegetated, native grass filter strips, or a riparian buffer with native trees or shrubs must be planted a minimum of 25 feet wide along both sides of the new channel in order to receive mitigation credit for vegetated buffers.
6. For single family residences authorized under Nationwide Permit No. 29, the permanent loss of waters of the United States (including jurisdictional wetlands) must not exceed 1/4 acre.
7. For NWP 'B', the discharge of dredged or fill material into ditches and canals that would sever the jurisdiction of an upstream water of the United States from a downstream water of the United States is not allowed.